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Title: Thin Film Magnetic Head,)	February 16, 2006
Method for Producing Same and)	
Magnetic Disk Device Having a)	
Slider Using the Same)	
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final official action dated October 19, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth herein.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.